

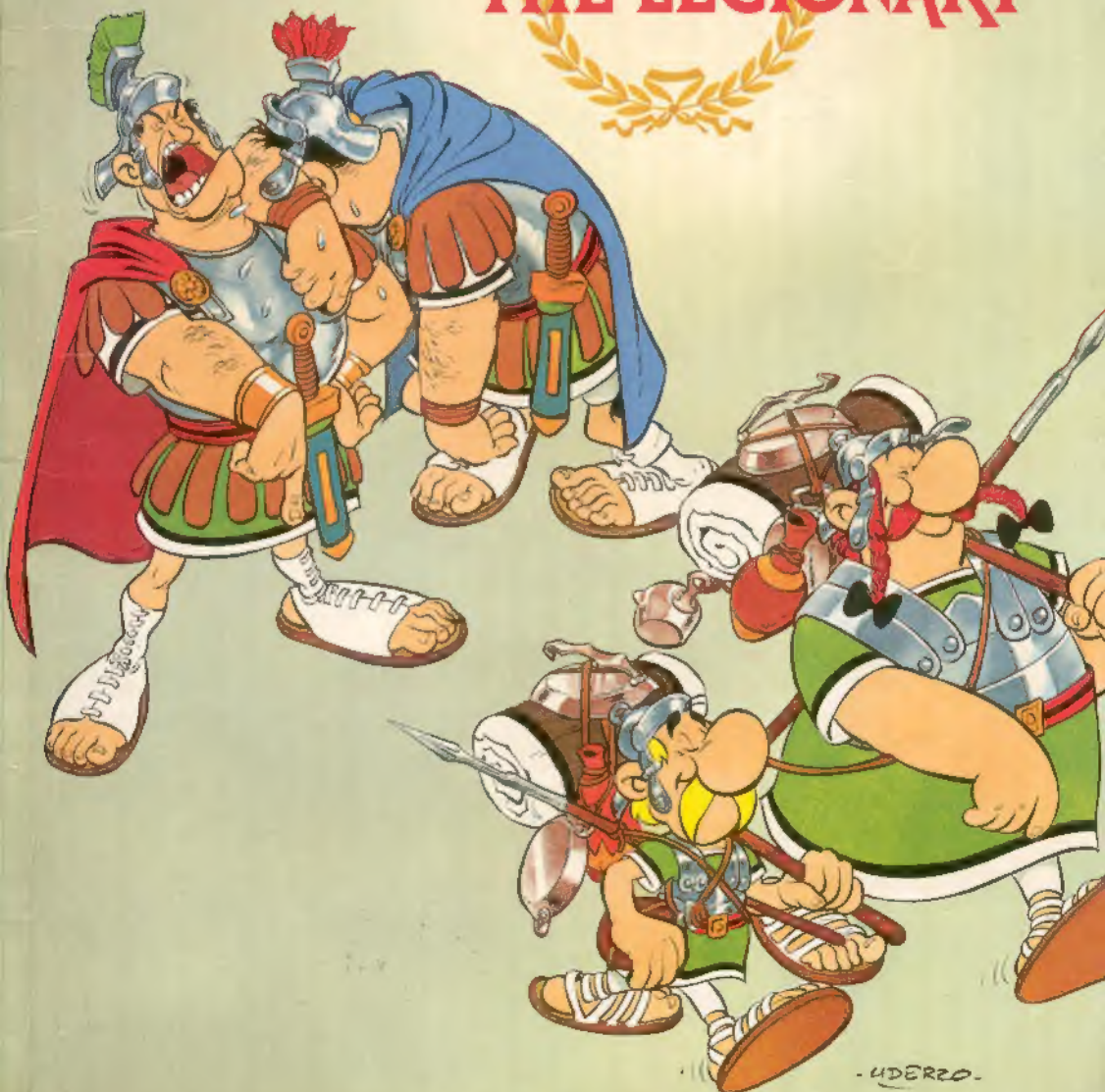
HODDER DARGAUD PRESENTS



TEXT: GOSCINNY  
DRAWINGS: UDERZO

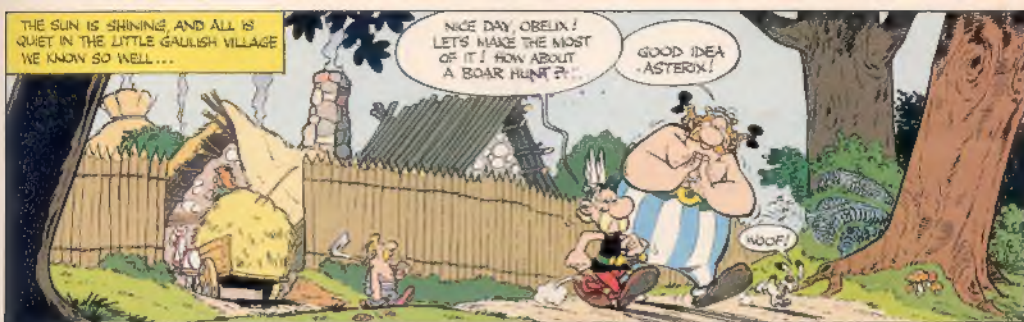
# Asterix

## THE LEGIONARY



-UDERZO-

THE SUN IS SHINING, AND ALL IS  
QUIET IN THE LITTLE GAULISH VILLAGE  
WE KNOW SO WELL...



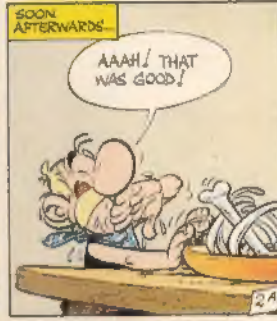
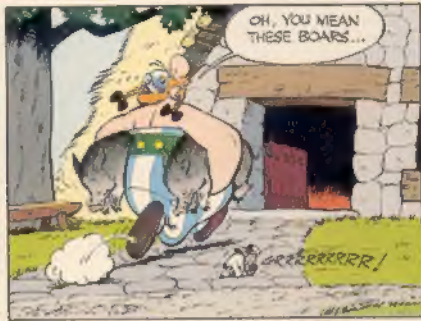
NICE DAY, OBELIX!  
LET'S MAKE THE MOST  
OF IT! HOW ABOUT  
A BOAR HUNT?

GOOD IDEA  
- ASTERIX!

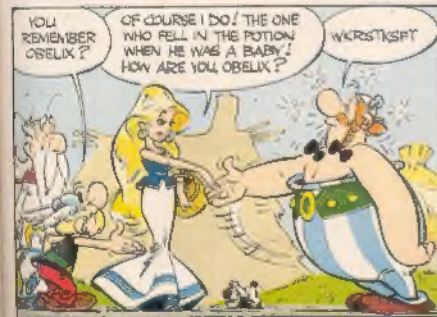
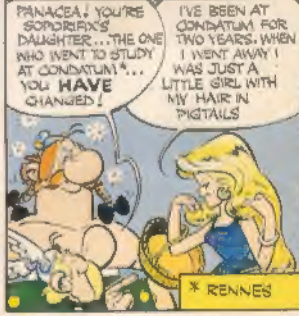
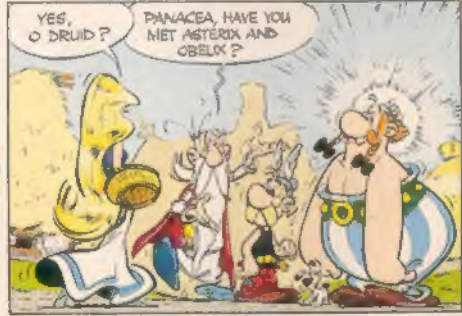
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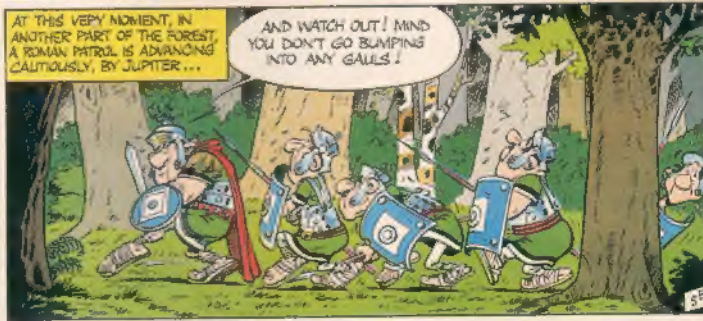
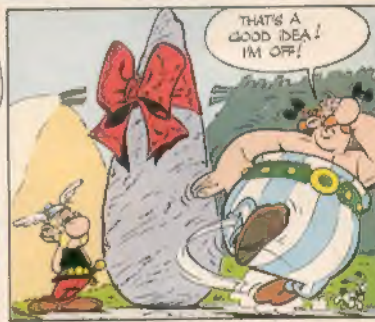
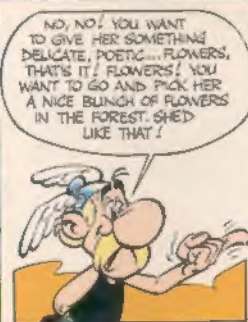
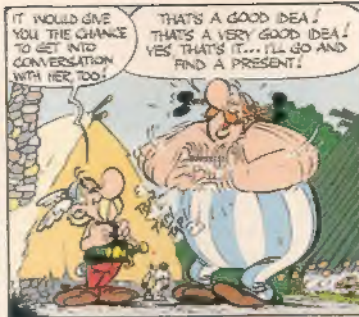
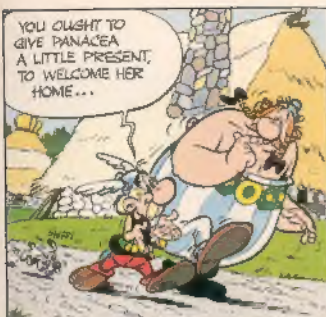








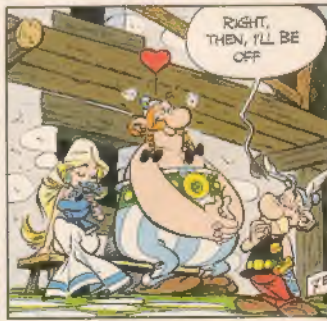
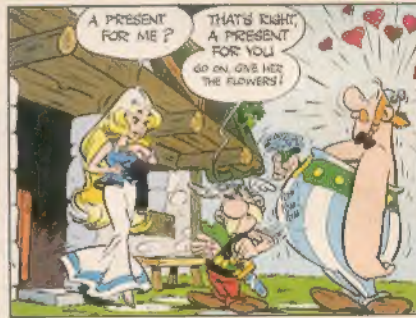




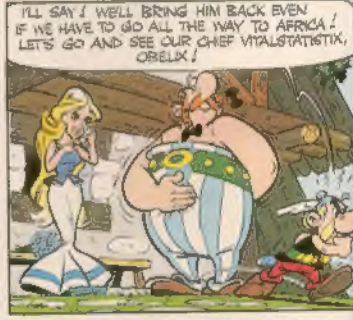
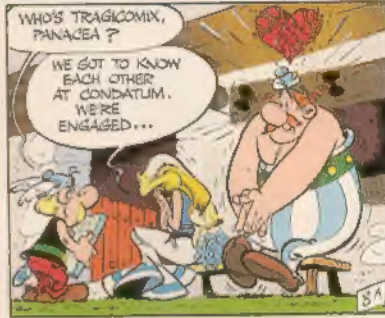
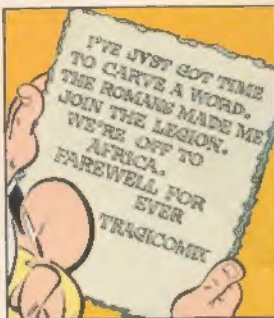
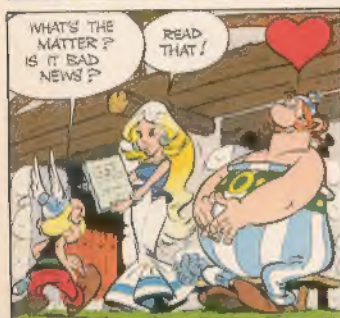
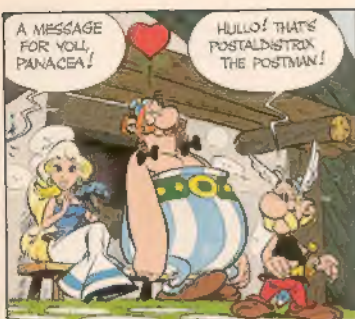




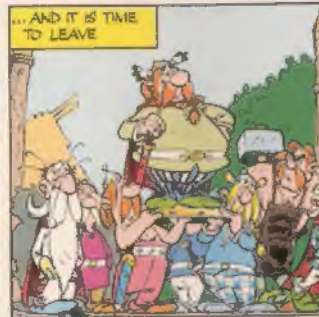
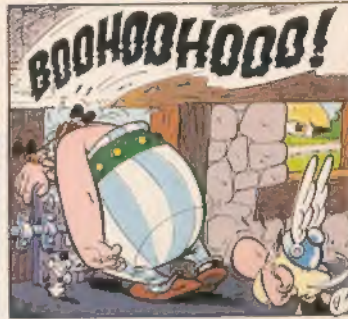
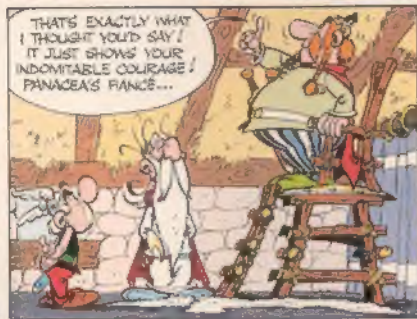
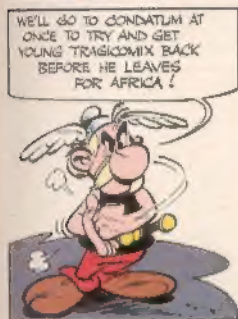
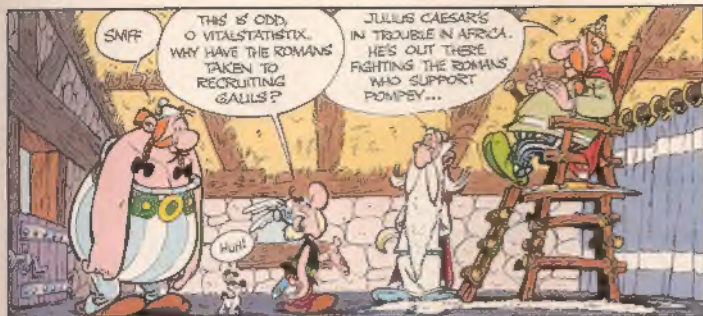




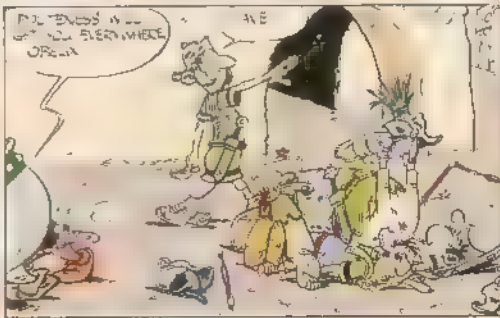
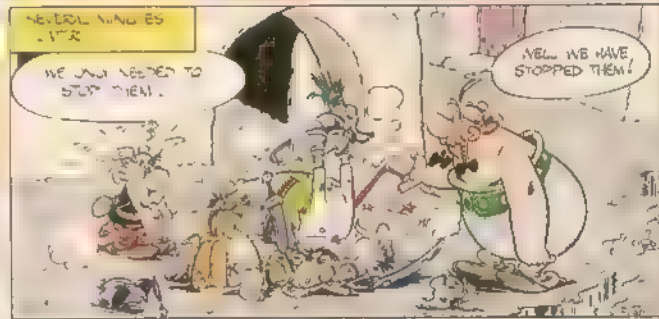
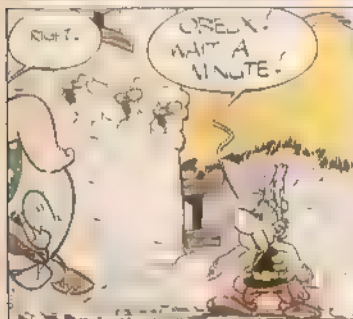
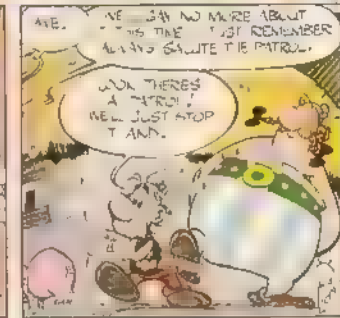
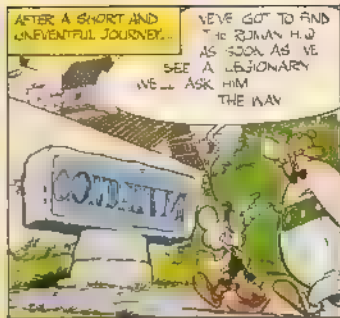




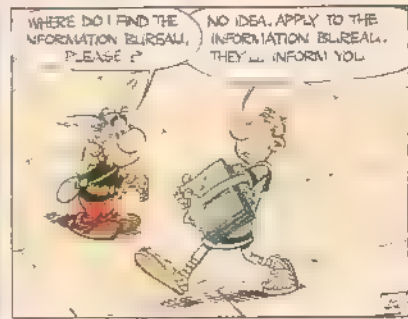
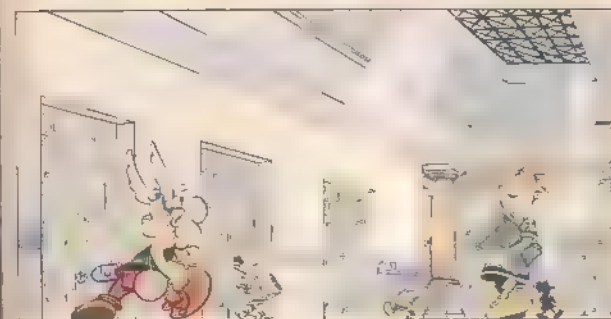
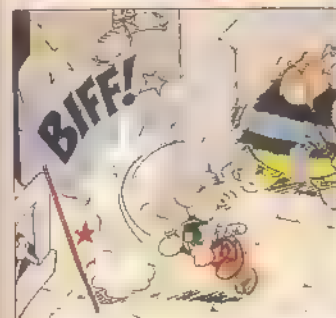
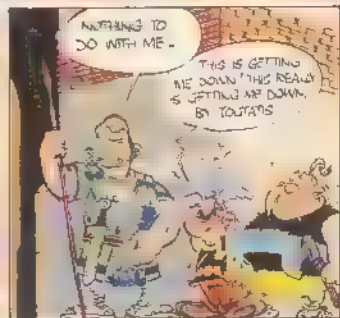


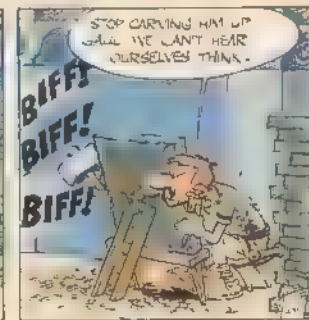
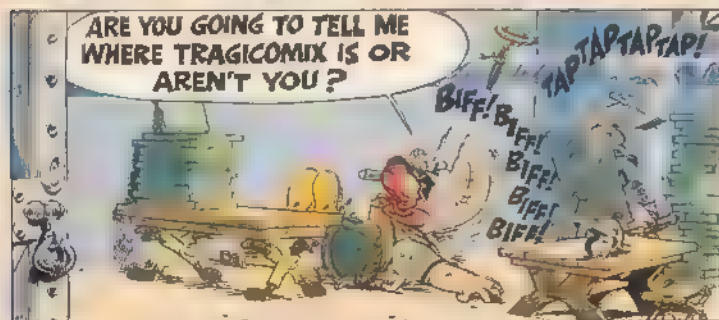
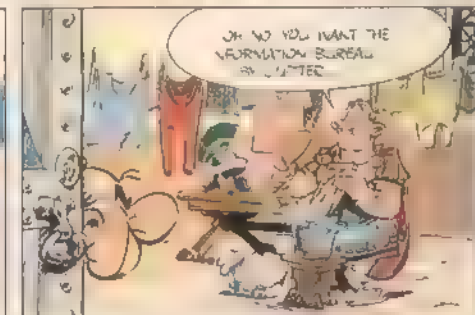
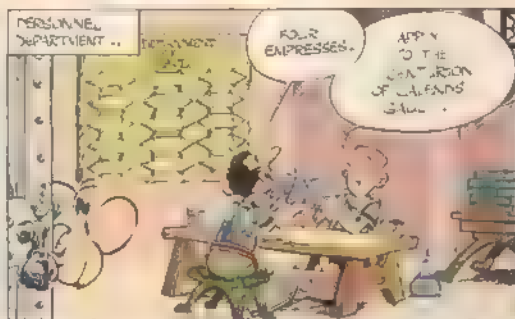
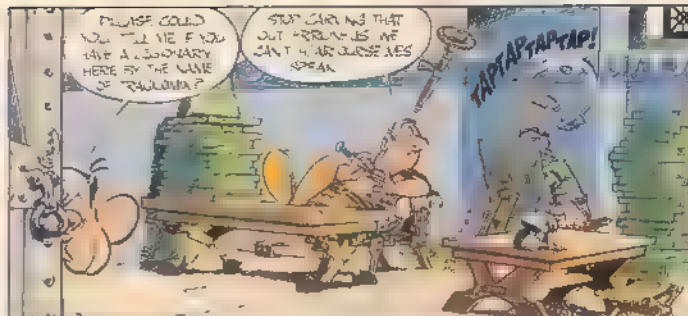
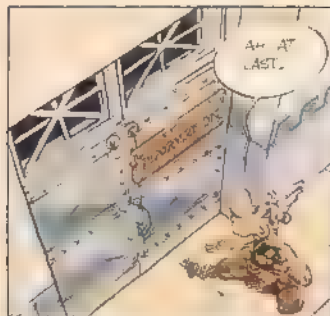




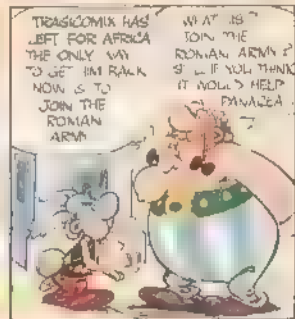
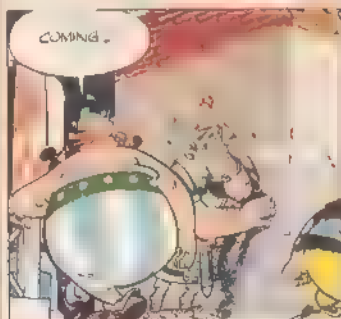
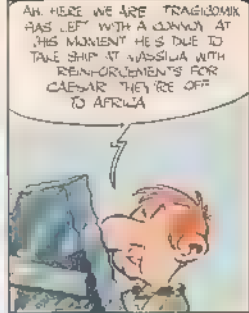


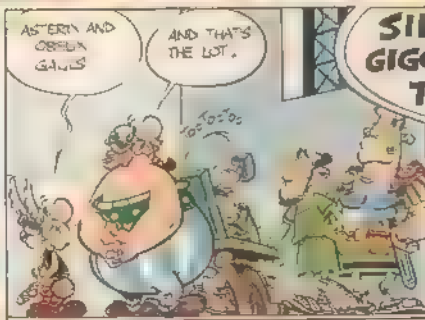
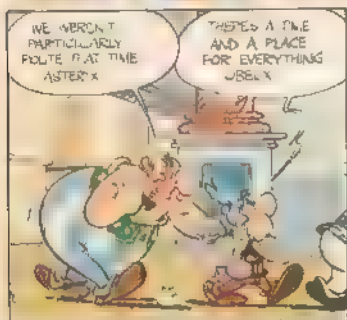




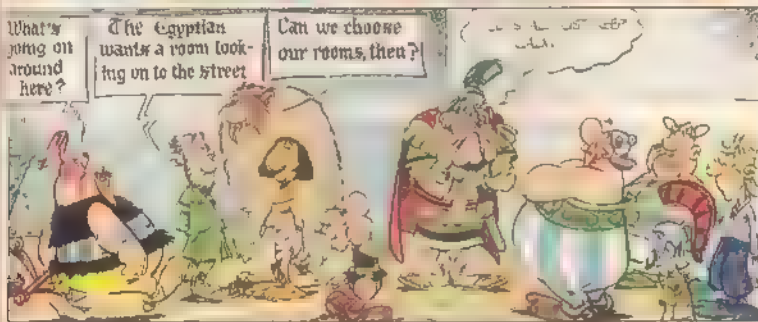
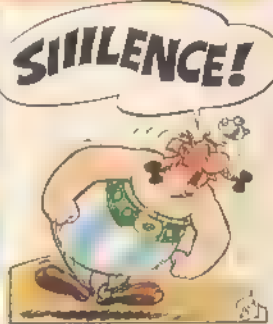
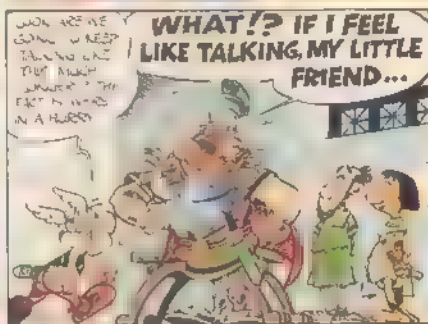
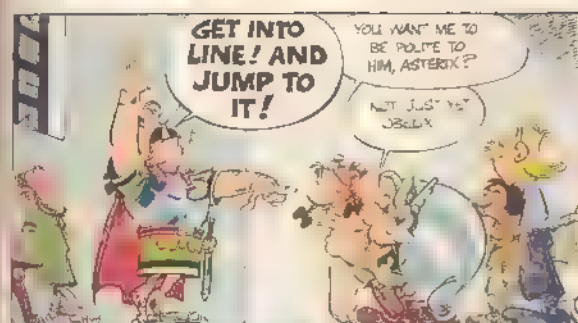


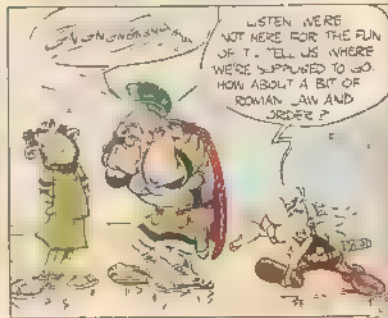
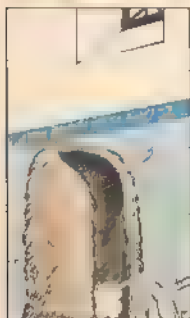




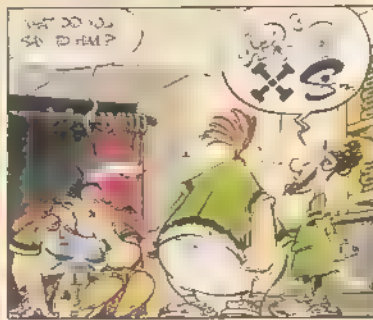
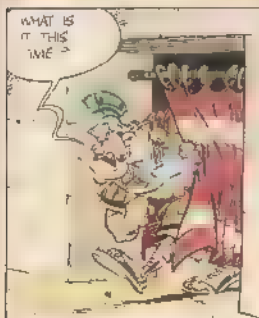
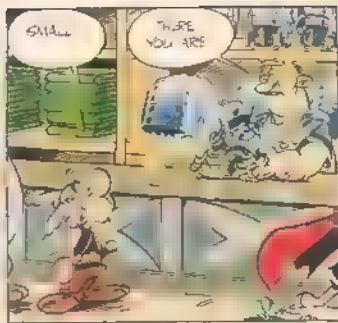
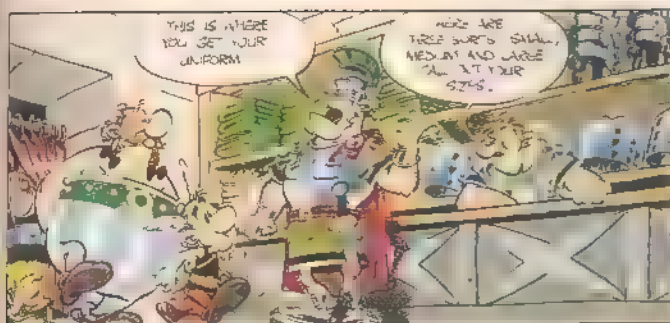














IT'S A BIT LONGER THAN THE LAST ONE AND FOR A 2 SESTERTII



IT'S A MINUTE WE HAVEN'T FINED OUR MAN YET!



TWO AND A HALF SESTERTII! YOU MUST BE DRUNK BY NOW!!



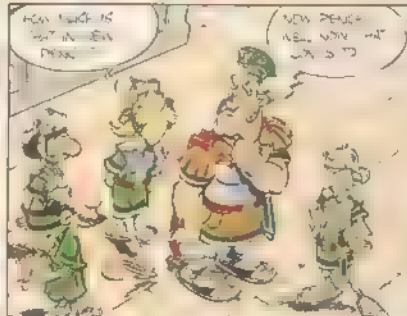
WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU ARE? I KNOW WHERE YOU ARE! WHAT I WANT TO KNOW IS WHETHER IT'S WORTH SELLING



TWO AND A HALF SESTERTII, I SAID! FOUR!



IT'S ONLY TWO SESTERTII IN THE MAXIMUM PRICE FOR THIS CLASS OF HOTEL



HOW MUCH IS THAT IN SEN DENI

NOW DENI... NOW DENI... NOW DENI...



AND ARE YOU GOING TO STAND AROUND HERE ALL DAY? RIGHT ABOUT THE TRAINING, BY THE WAY, WE DO YOU WANT US TO LODGE A COMPLAINT?



SOON AFTERWARDS

YOU CERTAINLY TOOK YOUR LINE VETRIUS PULPUS. WE - SO THERE ARE THE NEW LEGIONARIES?

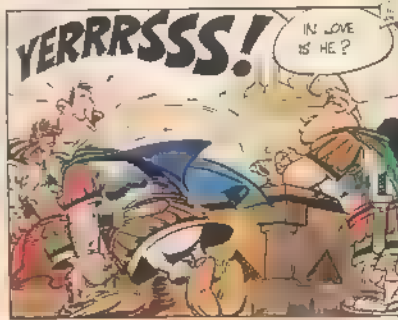
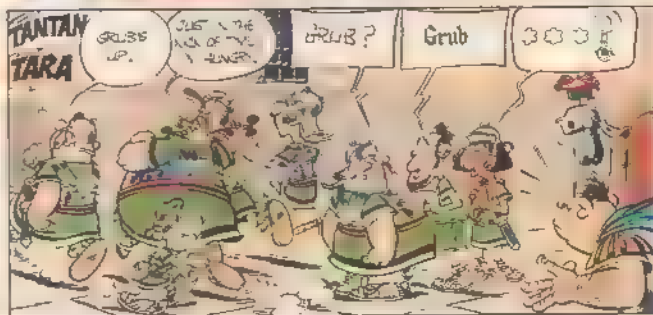
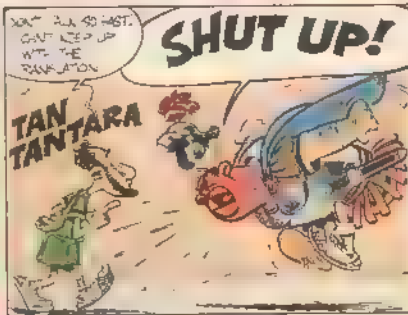
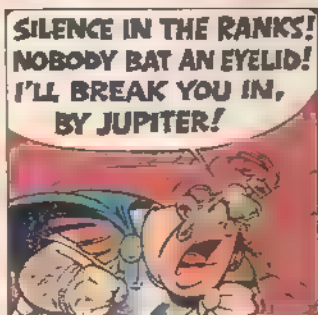
HMM! SUR? TO GO UP OUR CENTURION.

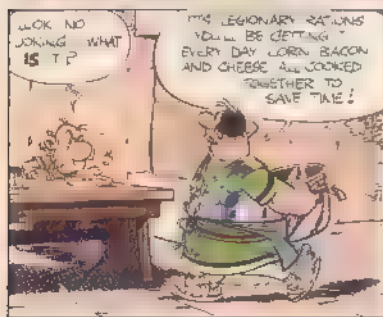
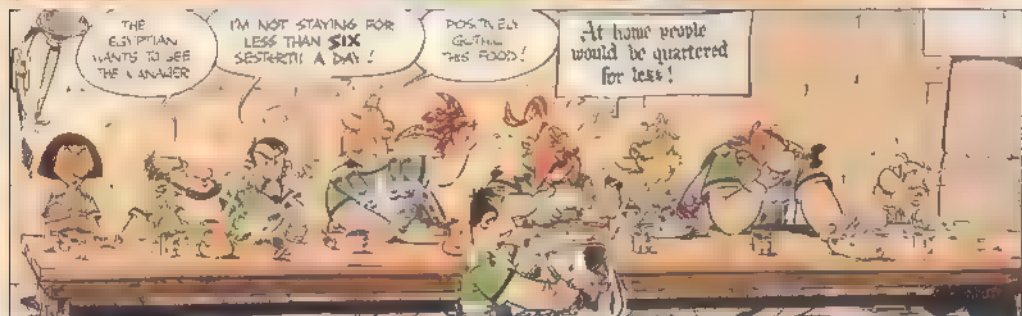
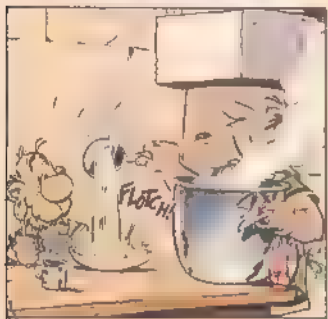


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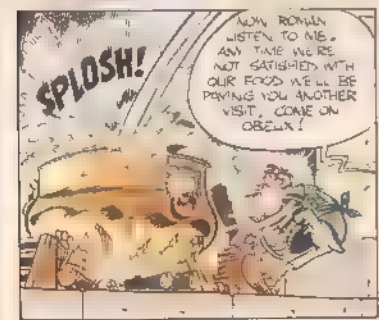
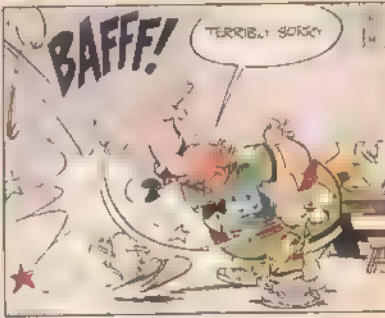
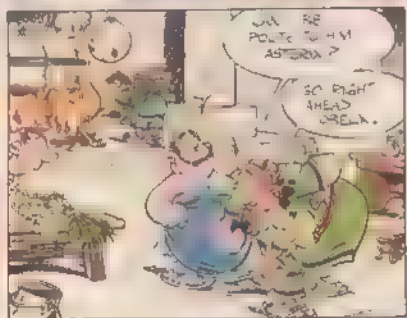
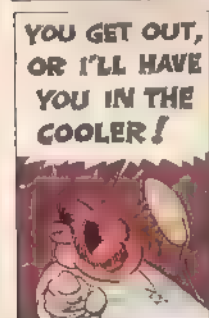
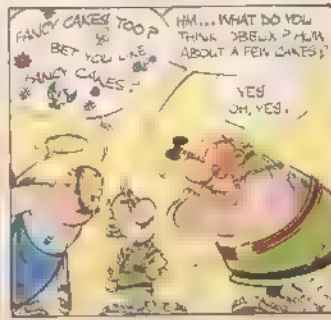
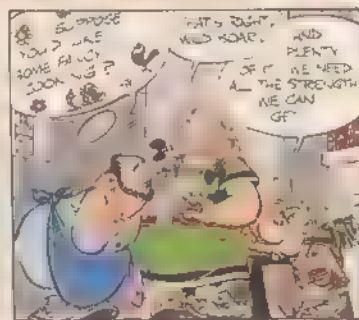
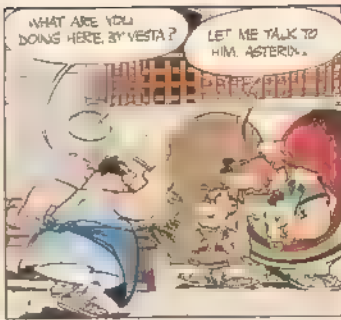
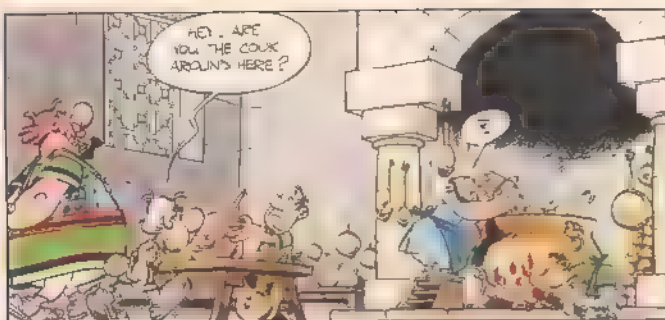
YOU KNOW WHAT'S WRONG WITH HIM? IF YOU ASK ME, HE'S IN LOVE.

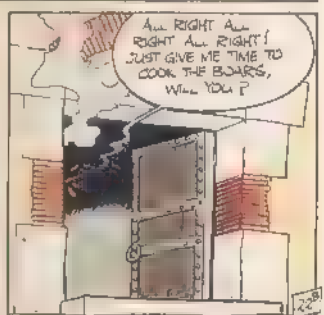
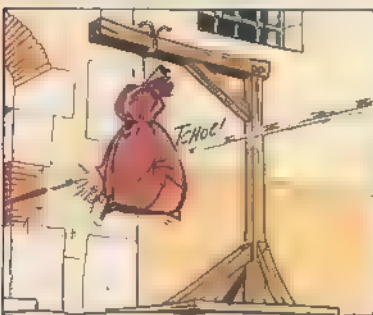
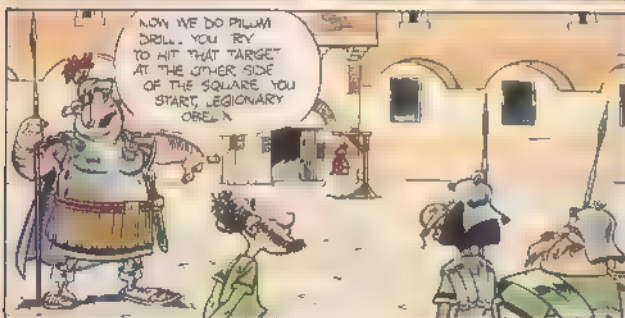
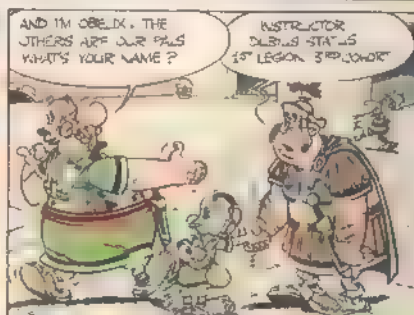
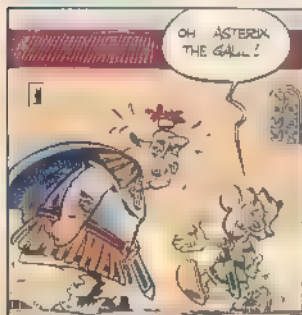




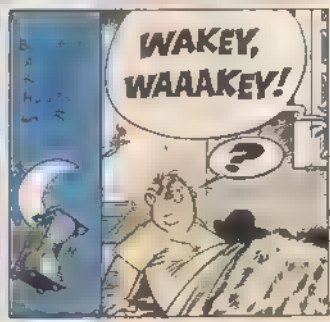
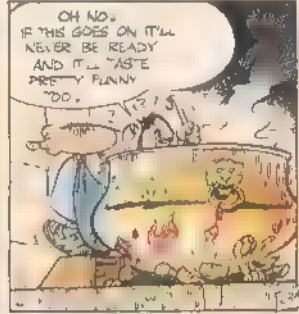
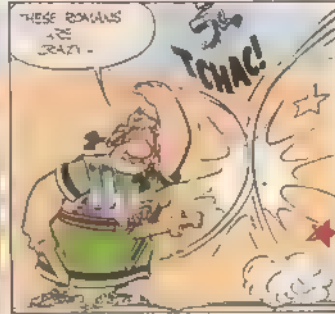
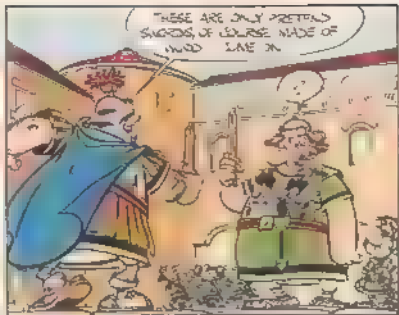
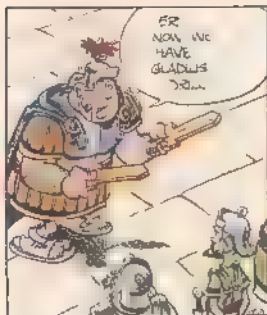












SO THOSE BARBARIANS  
ARE IN A HURRY -  
THEY'LL SOON CHANGE  
THEIR TUNE BY  
JUPITER.

EVERY MAN TO A  
SACK! AND JUMP TO  
IT, BY MERCURY!

WHO'S HE CALLING?

A PORTER

THAT'S  
ENOUGH  
OF THAT!  
GET  
MOVING!

He says the staff  
at this hotel  
should be given  
the sack!

BELEN IS APOLLO AND RA  
RE NOT UND AND THE SUN  
BEAT'S DOWN ON THE NEW  
-BORN-REDS

WE CAN'T GO  
ON LIKE  
THIS.

WE  
CERTAINLY  
CAN'T!

AHA... LESS FOOLING  
AROUND NOW EN P  
DRAGGING OUR FEET NOW  
ARE WE LOS' OUR VIB  
WAAAA HAAAA?

DON'T YOU  
WORRY WE'LL FIX  
IT FOR  
YOU

OR IT'LL  
TAKE  
ALL DAY.

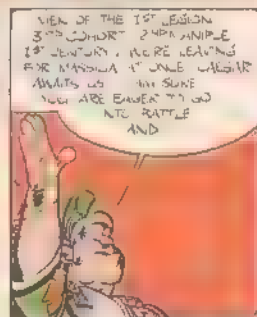
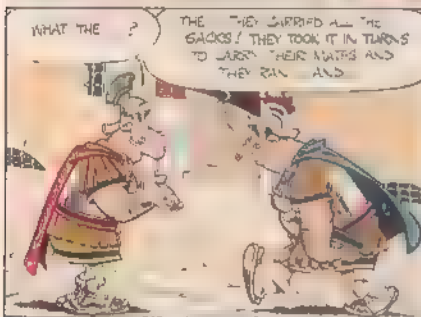
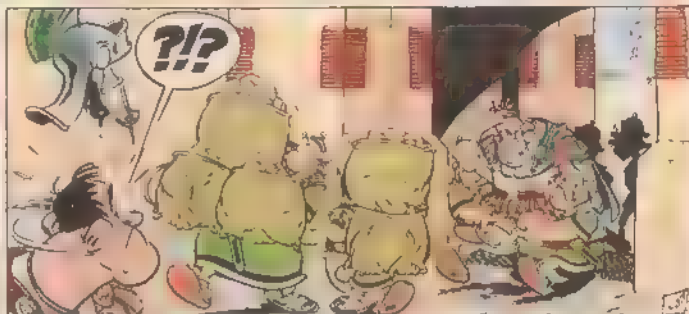
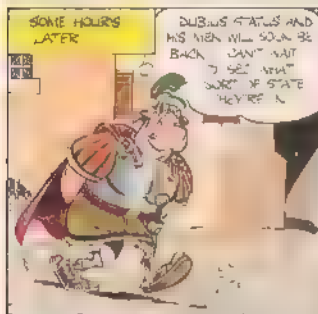
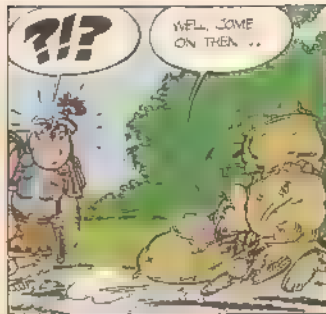
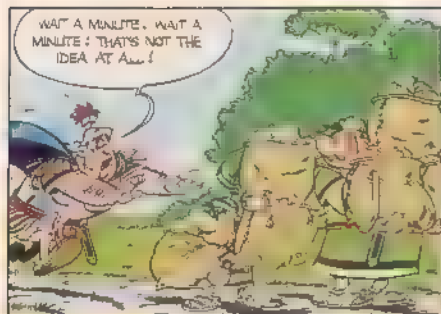
HEY! HAND US  
YOUR SACKS,  
YOU  
LOT!

WHAT  
THE...?

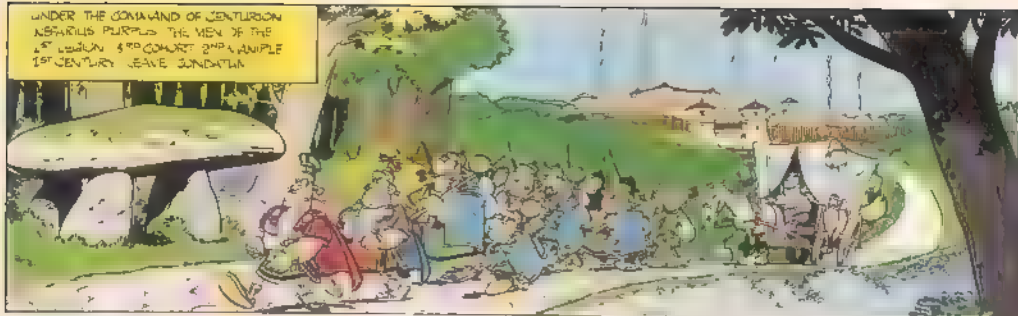
AT THE DOUBLE  
NOW... WE'RE  
WANTED IN  
AFRICA WE  
ARE.

SO THE SOONER WE'RE  
THROUGH WITH THESE  
SILLY EXERCISES THE  
BETTER

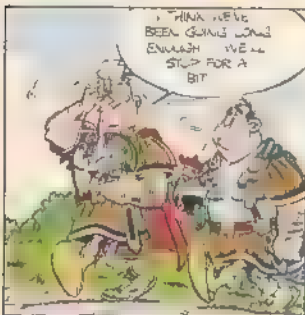




UNDER THE COMMAND OF CENTURION  
NIBARILUS PURPULUS THE MEN OF THE  
1<sup>ST</sup> LEGION 3<sup>RD</sup> COHORT 2<sup>ND</sup> MANIPLE  
1<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY LEAVE SUNDATA.



I THINK WE'VE  
BEEN GOING LONG  
ENOUGH. WE'LL  
STOP FOR A  
BIT.

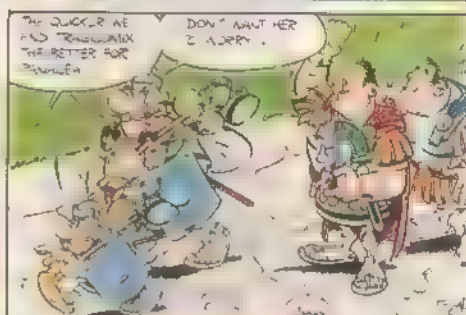


1<sup>ST</sup> LEGION 3<sup>RD</sup> COHORT  
2<sup>ND</sup> MANIPLE 1<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY  
**HALT!**  
WE'RE HAVING A  
BREAK.



THE QUICKER WE  
HAD TRAGCOMIX  
THE BETTER FOR  
EVERYONE.

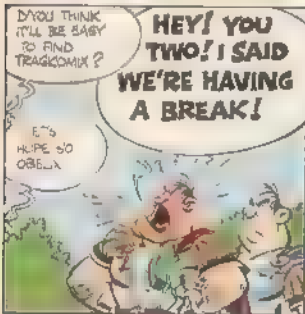
DON'T WANT HER  
2. A JERRY.



D'YOU THINK  
IT'LL BE EASY  
TO FIND  
TRAGCOMIX?

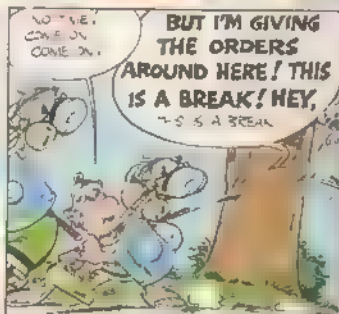
**HEY! YOU  
TWO! I SAID  
WE'RE HAVING  
A BREAK!**

IT'S  
HELP. SO  
OBEY.

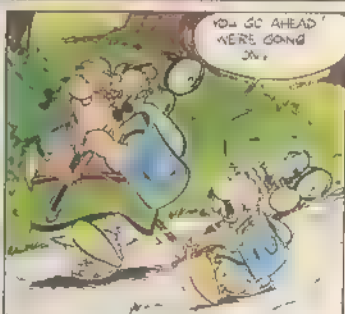


NO. WE  
CAME ON  
OOME IN.

**BUT I'M GIVING  
THE ORDERS  
AROUND HERE! THIS  
IS A BREAK! HEY,  
THIS IS A BREAK.**



YOU GO AHEAD  
WE'RE GOING  
ON.



THAT WAS A  
GOOD ONE THAT  
WAS!

WELL, HOW'S THIS  
FOR A TALK? I OUR  
CENTURIONS  
ZEEZ ZEEZ

THAT'D SAY  
HEY, A THE  
KIDS DO BOY.

I'm not sure just how  
to put that in Gothic and  
Egyptian, but I'll do my  
best...

!!!



JOALY, THEY'RE CRAZY.  
WE'RE ACTUALLY  
EASIER TO GO INTO  
BATTLE.

PAF!





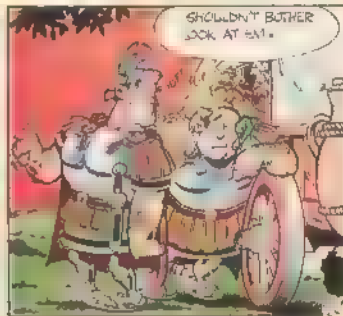
THE COLUMN OF THE 1ST LEGION 3RD COHORT  
2ND MANIPLE 1ST CENTURY IS STILL ON THE GO  
BUT HAS UNDERGONE A SLIGHT MODIFICATION  
AS TO MARCHING ORDER



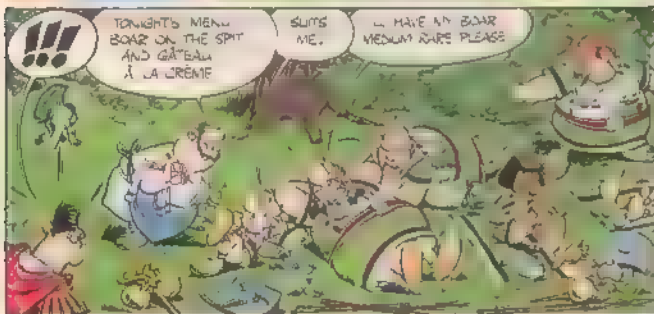
HALT.  
WE'LL CAMP  
HERE FOR  
TONIGHT.



ER... JAI... RIGHT! I  
DIG A DITCH AROUND THE  
SITE... BUILD A STOCKADE...  
PITCH YOUR TENT'S  
AROUND YOUR CENTURIONS  
TENT! ORGANISE SENTRY  
DUTY.



SHOULDN'T BOTHER  
LOOK AT THEM.

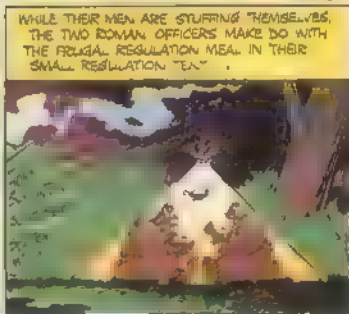


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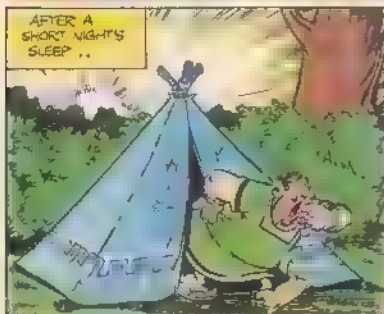
TONIGHT'S MENU  
BOAR ON THE SPIT  
AND GÂTEAU  
À LA CRÈME

SUITS  
ME.

I HAVE AN BOAR  
MEDIUM RARE PLEASE



WHILE THE MEN ARE STUFFING THEMSELVES  
THE TWO ROMAN OFFICERS MAKE DO WITH  
THE FRUGAL REGULATION MEAL IN THEIR  
SMALL REGULATION TENT



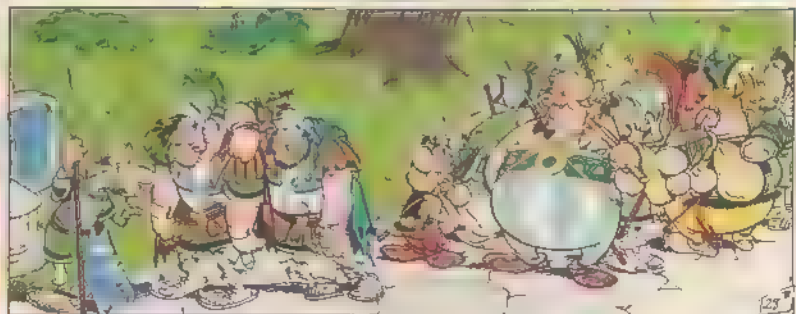
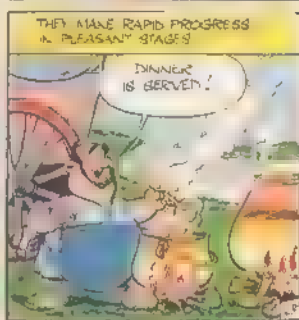
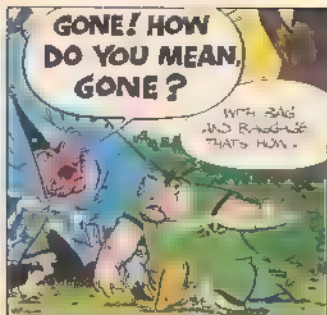
AFTER A  
SHORT NIGHT'S  
SLEEP...



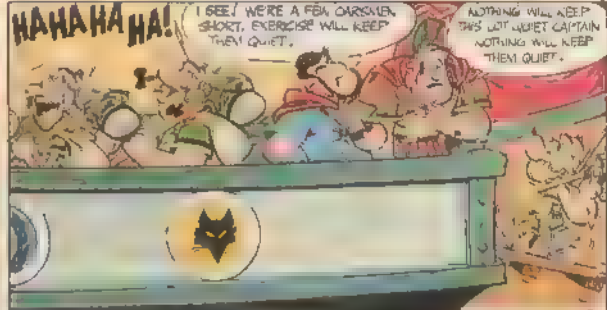
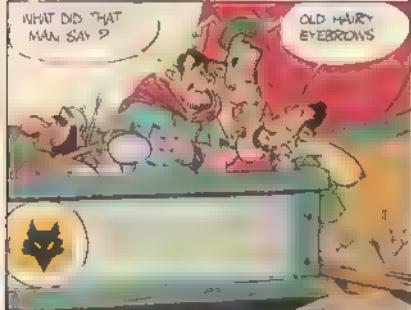
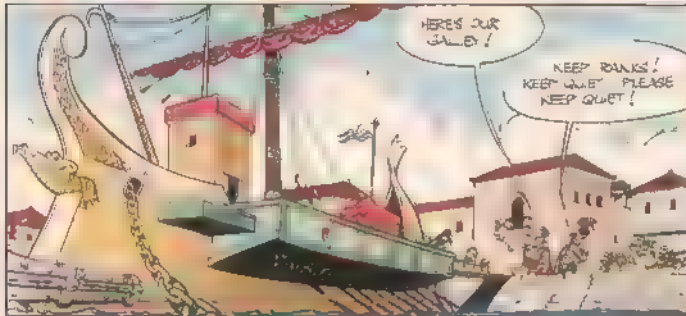
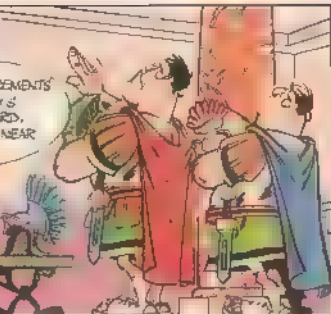
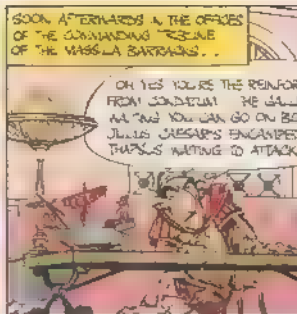
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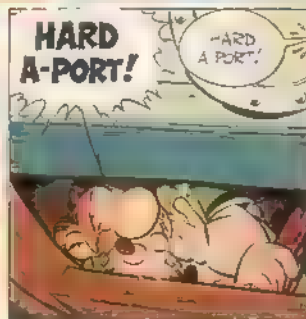


NEFARIOUS PLOT!  
**THEY'VE  
GONE!**

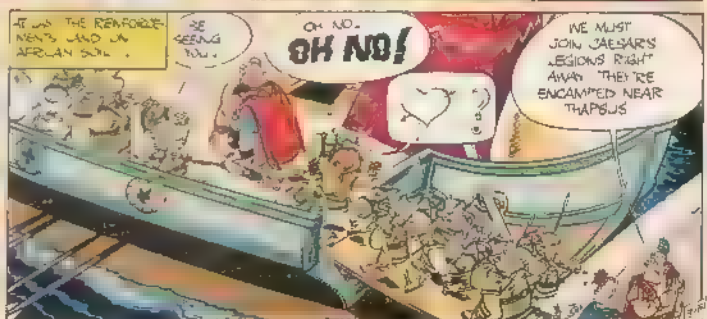


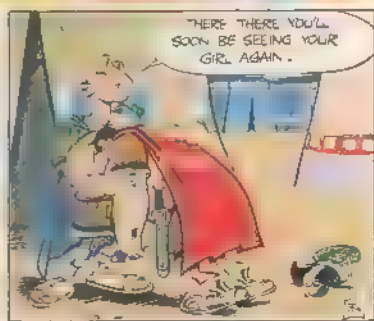
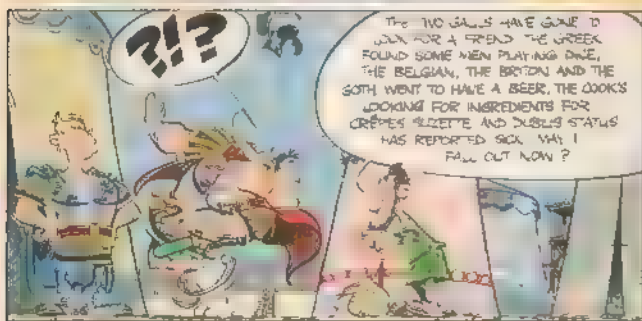






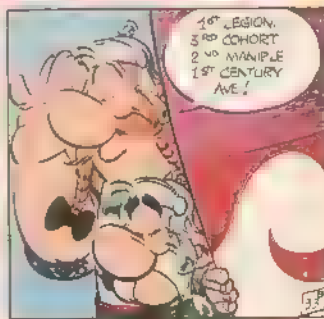
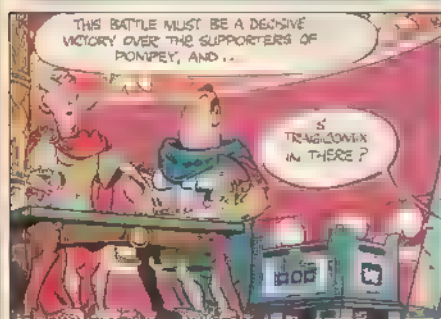
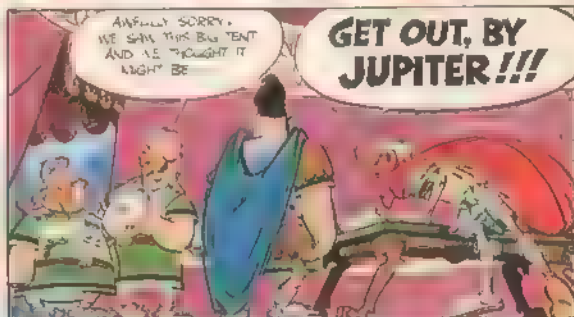
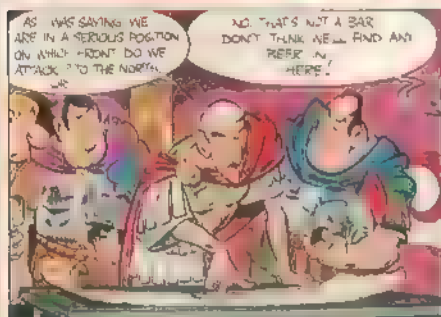
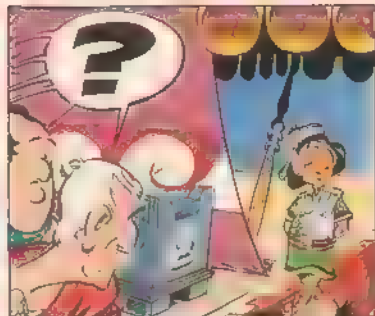


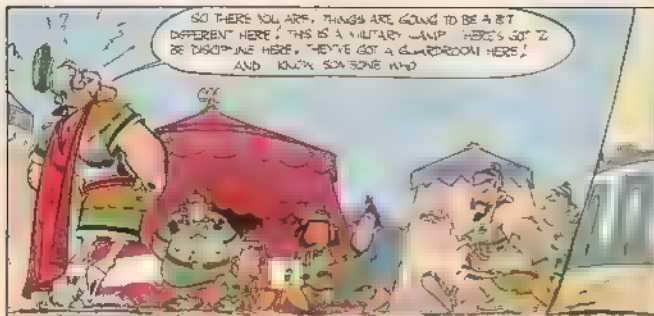






JULIUS CAESAR'S  
TENT





SO THERE YOU ARE. THINGS ARE GOING TO BE A BIT DIFFERENT HERE. THIS IS A MILITARY CAMP. HERE'S GOT 2 BE DISCIPLINE HERE. I'VE GOT A GUARDROOM HERE, AND KITCHEN SOMEWHERE.



OFFICER IN COMMAND OF THE 2nd ALPHEN OF THE 1ST LEGION. 3RD COHORT 2ND HANDEL 1ST CENTURY?

THAT'S RIGHT.



RIGHT WE ARREST YOU IN THE NAME OF JULIUS CAESAR, WHO DOESN'T LIKE BEING INTERRUPTED WHEN HE'S TALKING. IT'S THE GUARDROOM FOR YOU!

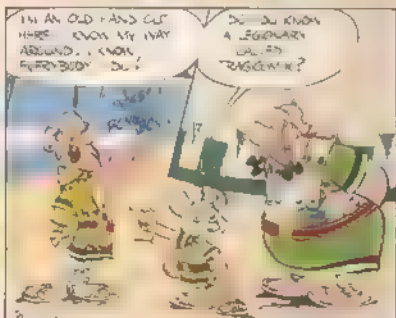


WE'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR TRAGIOMIX. OVER THE PLACE AND HE CAN'T FIND HIM ANYWHERE.

HE MUST BE SOMEWHERE IN AFRICA.



AVE ROCKIES. COME FOR A BIT OF ACTIVE SERVICE? WOULD GIVE YOU A SPOT OF ADVICE IF THERE WAS SOME FREE DROCK GOING.

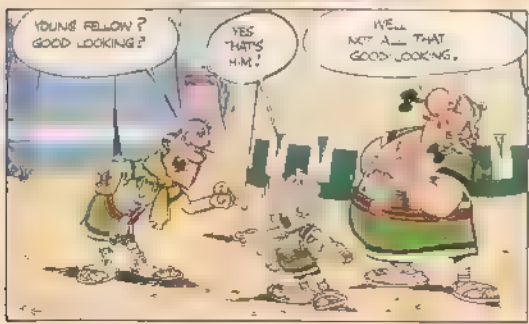


IN AN OLD HAND CUT HERE. EVEN MY WAY AROUND. KNOW EVERYBODY DO.

DO YOU KNOW A LEGENDARY CALLED TRAGIOMIX?



TRAGIOMIX... TRAGIOMIX WITH A T AS IN TIMEO DANAOS ET DONA FERENTES?



YOUNG FELLOW? GOOD LOOKING?

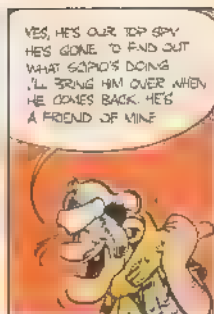
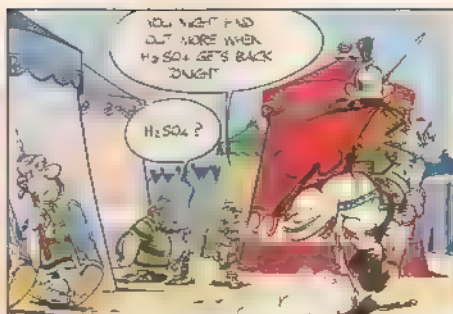
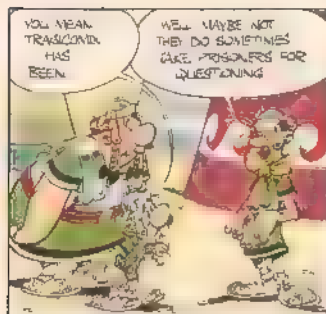
YES THAT'S HIM.

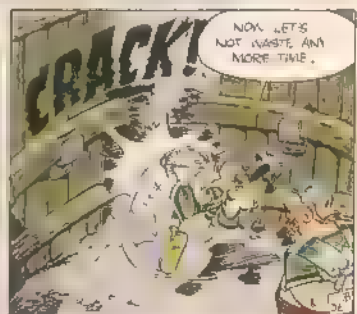
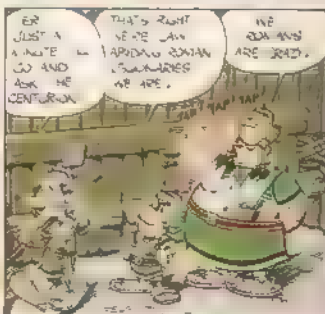
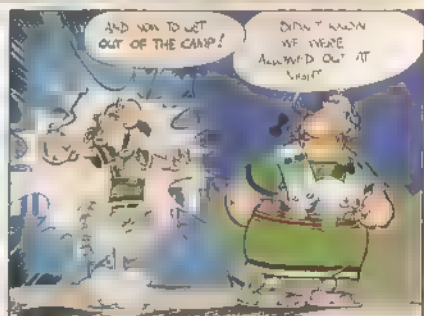
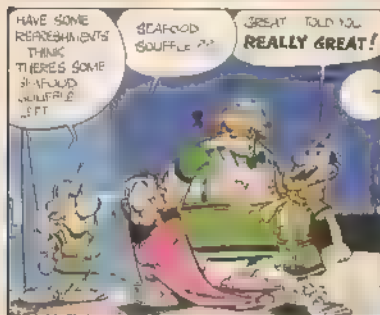
WELL NOT ALL THAT GOOD LOOKING.



POOR LAD. HE'S ONLY JUST BE HERE WHEN HE WAS LOST IN A SKIRMISH WITH SOME MEN.









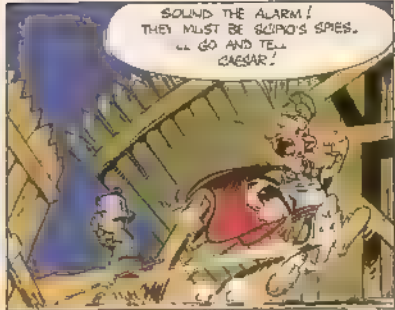


I'D LIKE TO SEE THAT SENTRY'S FACE WHEN HE SEES WHAT YOU DID TO HIS GATE AFTERN.



NOW THEN WHERE ARE THESE LEGION AIRES OF YOURS WHO WANT TO BE OFF INTO THE DESERT WITHOUT AN BLENING PASS?

THEY THEY'VE GONE - THEY'VE BROKEN THE GATE DOWN.

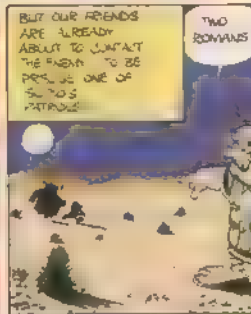


SOUND THE ALARM! THEY MUST BE SCIMPUS SPES. GO AND TELL CAESAR!

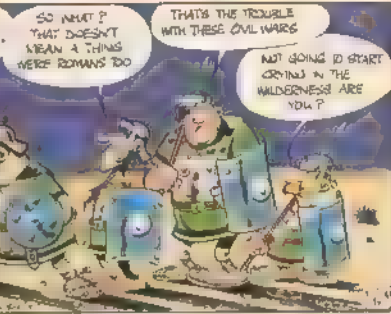


SOON AFTERWARDS

THESE MEN MUST BE CAPTURED BEFORE THEY CAN CONTACT THE ENEMY!



BUT OUR FRIENDS ARE ALREADY ABOUT TO CONTACT THE ENEMY TO BE RESCUE ONE OF SCIMPUS PATROLS

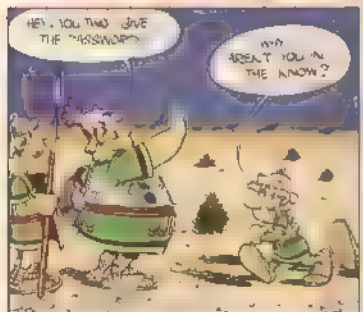


TWO ROMANS.

SO WHAT? THAT DOESN'T MEAN A THING HERE ROMANS DO

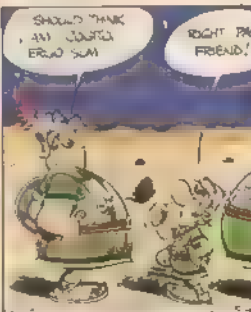
THAT'S THE TROUBLE WITH THESE CIVIL WARS

NOT GOING TO START CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS ARE YOU?



HEY, YOU TWO GIVE THE "PASSWORD"

WHY AREN'T YOU IN THE KNOW?



SHOULD THANK AN JOURNEY FROM SWAN

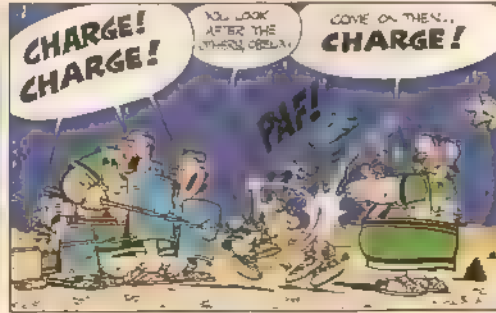
RIGHT PASS, FRIEND!



THANKS, COME ALONG...



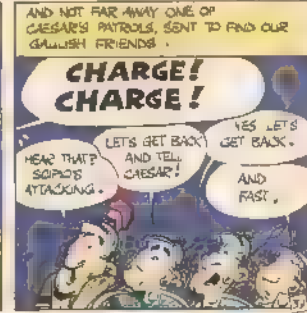
HEY, WAIT A MINUTE. THIS WON'T DO!



CHARGE! CHARGE!

YOU LOOK AFTER THE OTHERS OBEY!

COME ON THEN... CHARGE!



AND NOT FAR AWAY ONE OF CAESAR'S PATROLS, SENT TO FIND OUR GAMISH FRIENDS.

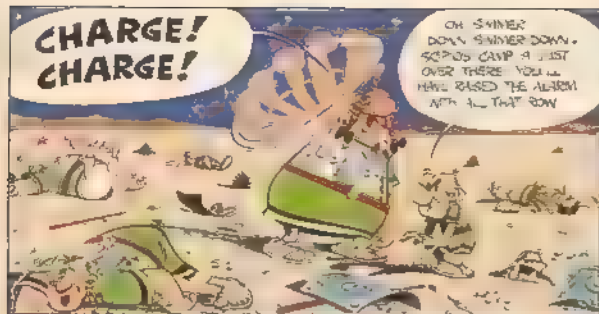
CHARGE! CHARGE!

HEAR THAT SCIMPUS ATTACKING.

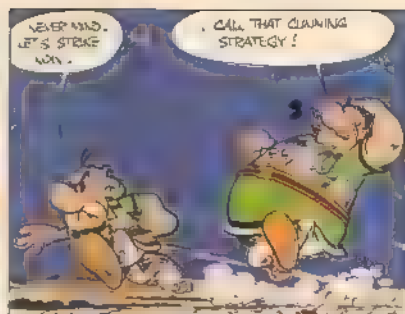
LET'S GET BACK AND TELL CAESAR!

YES LET'S GET BACK.

AND FAST.



OH SHIVER  
DOWN SHIVER DOWN.  
SOPHUS CAMP IS JUST  
OVER THERE YOU  
HAVE RAISED THE ALARM  
WITH ALL THAT ROW



NEVER MIND.  
LET'S STEAK  
NOW.

CALL THAT CLAWING  
STRATEGY!



MEANWHILE IN  
LAESAR'S CAMP.

SOPHUS ATTACKING?  
HE'S FORGOTTEN HIS  
HAND. PERHAPS IT'S  
ALL FOR THE BEST!  
WE'LL ATTACK.



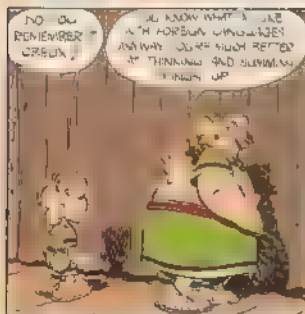
ALFA JAWA  
EST IS I  
ALWAYS SAY



AND OUTSIDE  
SOPHUS'S CAMP

GIVE THE  
PASSWORD.

OPEN UP.



NO YOU  
REMEMBER  
CREUX.

DO KNOW WHAT I LIKE  
A M FORUM UNWOLLEN  
AND WAY YOU MUST REFER  
TO THINKING AND BEHAVING  
FINISH UP



NEVER MIND.

OI!

BONG!

IT'S FUN DOING  
GATES THIS WAY  
SAIT T?



YOU CAN'T COME IN.  
LOOK HERE YOU  
CAN COME IN.

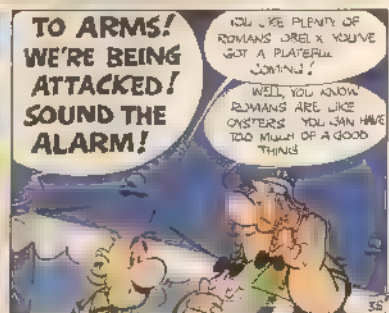
OH YES  
WE CAN.



STOP.  
HAND ON.



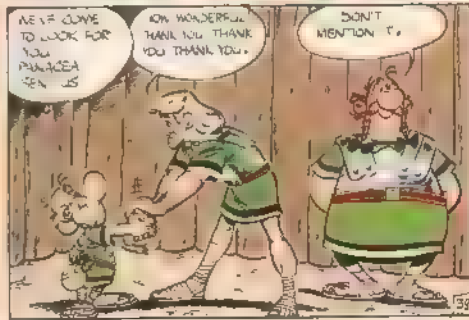
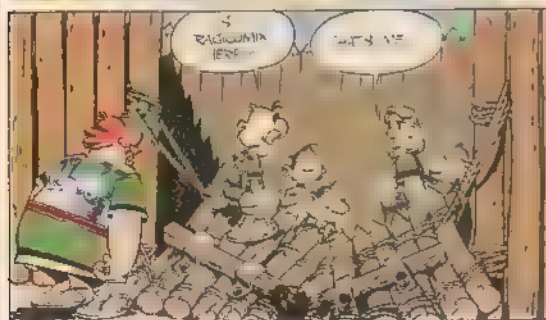
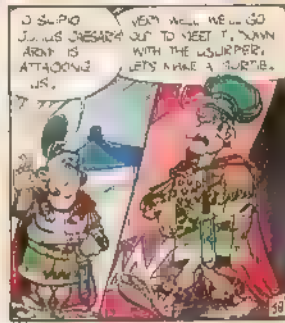
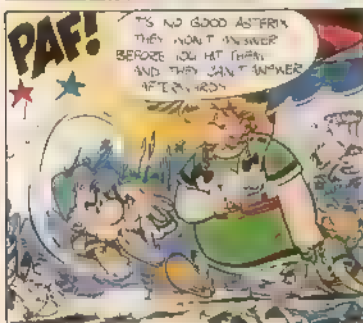
YE GOT T.  
TO GO TO  
EGGO  
SLAM.



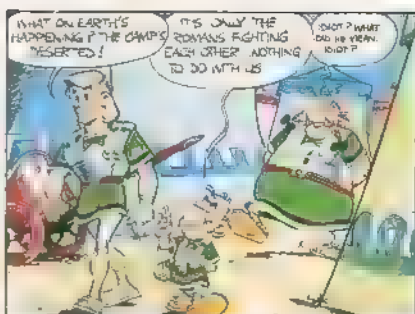
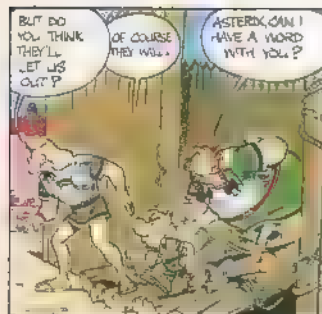
TO ARMS!  
WE'RE BEING  
ATTACKED!  
SOUND THE  
ALARM!

YOU LIKE PLENTY OF  
ROMANS OREL X YOU'VE  
GOT A PLAYFUL  
COMING!

WELL YOU KNOW  
ROMANS ARE LIKE  
OYSTERS YOU CAN HAVE  
TOO MUCH OF A GOOD  
THING







WE HAVE ALREADY BEEN PRIVILEGED TO SHOW YOU ROMAN LEGIONARIES ENGAGED IN AMUSEMENTS. WE NOW HAVE THE ADDITIONAL PLEASURE OF PRESENTING ROMAN LEGIONARIES ENGAGED IN MANOEUVRES AGAINST ROMAN LEGIONARIES.

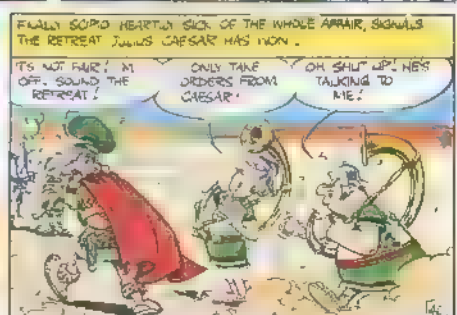
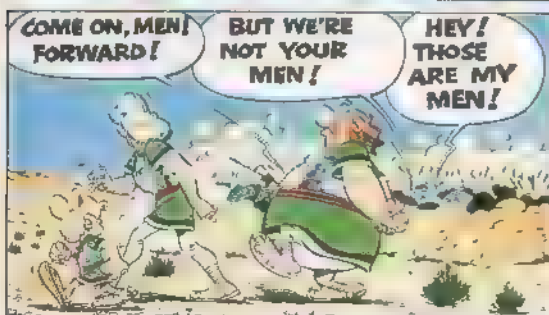
**FORM A PHALANX!**

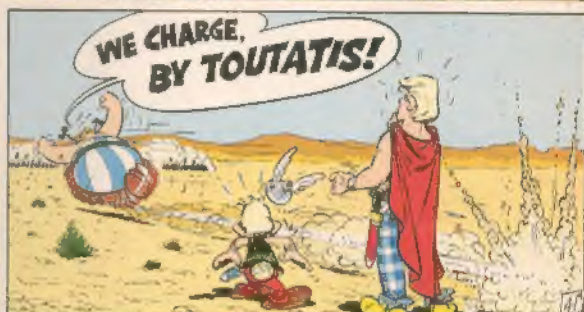
**FORM A QUINCUNX!**

**FORM A TORTOISE!**

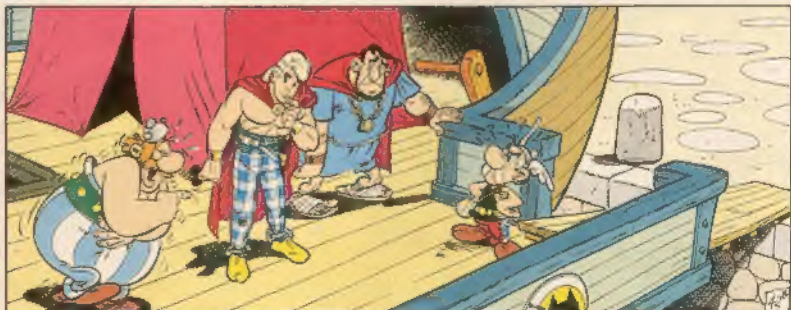
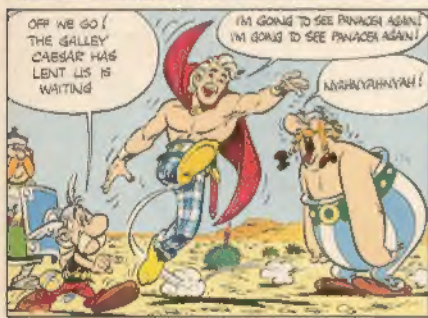
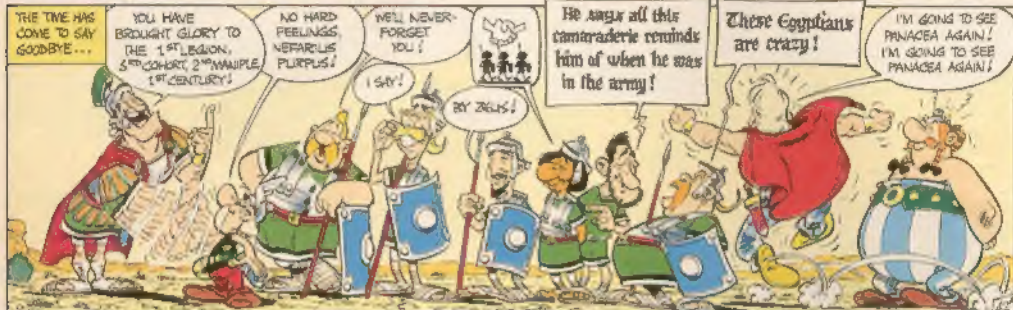
**FORM A SQUARE!**

**FORM A CIRCLE!**











AND WHILE THE ROMAN GALLEY BEARS OUR FRIENDS HOME TOWARDS THE PLEASANT SHORES OF GALL, THERE IS AN ENEMY STANDING OUT TO SEA, WATCHING AND WAITING...



LUCKY THING WE MANAGED TO BUY THIS SHIP FROM THE PHOENICIANS WHO PICKED US UP OFF THE RAFT! BUT IT COST A LOT OF MONEY... WE MUST PAY THE INSTALLMENTS OFF FAST...

**SHIP FULL AHEAD, CAP'N!**



**SPLENDID! THIS WILL KEEP OUR HEADS ABOVE WATER!**

**FOLLOW ME, ME HEARTIES! HIP HIP...**



HURRAY!



AT LAST, AFTER AN ALMOST LINEVENTRUL VOYAGE, WE RETURN IN TRIUMPH TO THE GALLIAN VILLAGE...



PANACEA!

DOGMATIX!



OH, THANK YOU, THANK YOU! HOW CAN I EVER THANK YOU?

IT WAS NOTHING, REALLY...



NOTHING? YOU MUST BE JOKING! YOU SHOULD HAVE SEEN THEM, PANACEA! THEY WERE GREAT! FANTASTIC! OBELIX ATTACKED CAESAR'S ARMY ALL BY HIMSELF!

OH, WELL IT WAS JUST A LITTLE ARMY YOU KNOW...



